Near Mount Pleasant Henry Co Iowa 12 mo 5. 1863

Dear & Cherished Friend

W L Garrison. Enclosed please find $3. to pay for the Liberator from 1st mo 1st 1864 to 1 mo 1 1865—

How we longed to be with you at the Decade meeting. Had our wings we should have flown— Thanks be to God Heaven is pierced in its vitals and never more to be sewn its everlasting overthrow as now— May all the long tried friends of ~~freedom~~ the oppressed remain steadfast for Liberty until every fetter is broken and the shout of freedom is heard throughout all the land— If copying into the Liberator the following letter from the Lone Stone journal will touch the hearts of any little children and induce them to secure riches in Heaven by giving to the poor it will be gratifying to one who loves them all— Our venerable Mother though infirm in health is working for the freedmen people and still reads the Liberator with a relish— On the 11th of last mo I attained my 53d anniversary— On the evening previous a birth and rare present was sent in the person of a lovely little granddaughter. This I have longed for and am grateful. This treasure is no dearer to me however than Similar ones have been to many a Grandsire in this Land who has lived to see his cherished loved ones the victims of the most accursed tyranny that ever marred the beautiful order of God— Let us work and pray until

He end With affectionate regard in which my
dear Ruth joins I am very cordially Yrs &c
Isaac B. Dugdale

We have circulated the petition here for the total
abolition of slavery and many signatures have
been obtained